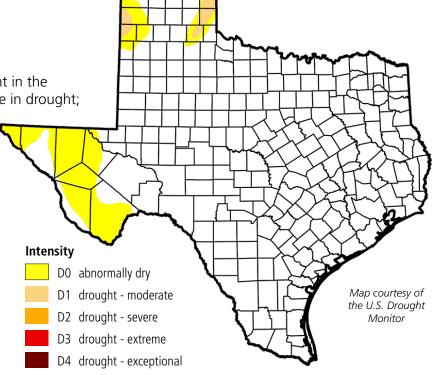
Water Weekly For the week of 05/09/16 Water conditions

Recent rains continue to slowly reduce drought in the Panhandle leaving about 1 percent of the state in drought;

however, abnormally dry conditions remain in much of Far West Texas and reservoir storage continues to be low in West Texas.

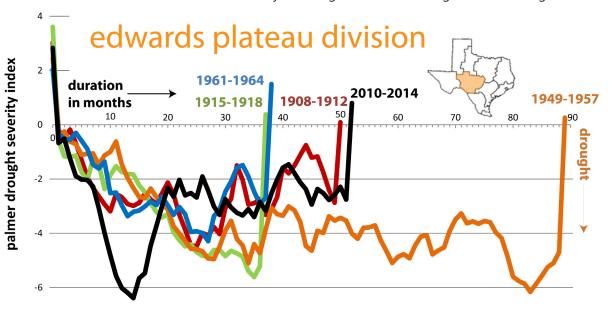
Drought conditions

- **♦** 1% now
- ♦ 2% a week ago
- ♦ 0% three months ago
- ♦ 30% a year ago



Drought of record

A plot of the five worst droughts in the Edwards Plateau Climatic Division shows that the drought of 2011– 2014 would have needed to have been more than three years longer to rival the length of the drought of the 1950s.



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